PUBLIC NOTICE

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY OF A PUBLIC DOCUMENT DESCRIBING THE PROPOSED MANAGEMENT OF CONTAMINATED SURFACE WATERS IMPOUNDED AT THE WELDON SPRING CHEMICAL PLANT AREA.

The next major step in the Weldon Spring cleanup involves the design, construction and operation of a waste water treatment system in the Chemical Plant area. Sources of water requiring treatment in order to protect public health and the environment, include four pits containing some 57 million gallons of contaminated water, small impoundments and rain water runoff from waste and cleaning operations.

Available for public review and comment is the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) document that describes the action to be taken in this next step. The document, prepared in accordance with the requirments of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), defines the reasons for constructing a water treatment facility at the former Weldon Spring Uranium Feed Materials Plant and the alternatives for discharge of the treated water. The document is now available for public review and comment.

Written comments should be sent to:

Mr. Stephen H. McCracken, Project Manager
Weldon Spring Site Remedial Action Project
U.S. Department of Energy
7295 Highway 94 South
St. Charles, MO 63303

Those comments postmarked by August 27, 1990, will become part of the official Administrative Record and will be considered in the decision making and permitting processes.

An INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN outlining plans described in the document and copies of the document are available for review at the following branches of the St. Charles City-County Library District: Spencer Road, Kathryn M. Linneman, and Kisker Road. The EE/CA also is available at the Francis Howell High School Library and the Public Reading Room at the Weldon Spring Site Remedial Action Project.

Also available for public review and comment will be the draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to discharge treated water to the Missouri River. Copies of the draft NPDES permit can be obtained from:

Mr. Robert Hentges
Missouri Department of Natural Resources
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Comments on the draft permit can be made to the same address. Comments on the draft permit should be made by September 4. Comments on the draft NPDES permit will be considered by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources before a final decision is made on the permit issuance, modification, or denial.

A PUBLIC MEETING AUGUST 16 WILL ADDRESS THE CLEANUP OF CONTAMINATED WATER.

Sponsored by the United States Department of Energy and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, the meeting will be held at

THE COLUMNS CONFERENCE CENTER, 711 FAIRLANE ROAD, ST. CHARLES, MO, AT 7:30 P.M. THE CENTER IS NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 94 AND INTERSTATE 70.

The public is encouraged to attend, to ask questions and to provide comments.